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A BATTERY BALL TEAM

Members of the battery met Tuesday night at the Arizona Central bank and decided to put a baseball team into the field this summer. Membership in the team will be limited to members of the battery.

J. C. Clarke was chosen manager of the new team, and the following were elected as an executive committee to arrange schedules and games and attend to the finances: Jimmie Swinnerton, Walter Lindblom, F. M. Gold, Del Strong. Mr. Swinnerton's suggestion that the team be supported by the battery and that there be no general solicitation for funds met with enthusiasm and the crowd dug down right there and raised money enough, with the help of J. C. Kelly, who kicked in most generously, to start the season off in good shape, especially as the club has practically enough equipment left from last year to begin with.

So we are going to have baseball this summer; what is more, we will have a good team and one that will be self-supporting. It will be ready within a few days to accept challenges. In the meantime, practice is the most essential thing. Manager Clarke requests that all battery members come to the ball grounds at 2:30 o'clock this coming Sunday for practice. He will then begin picking men for the various positions on the team. If there are enough players on the ground it is likely that a couple of teams will be picked and a game pulled off right there for practice.

R. B. CORBETT BADLY CUT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

R. B. Corbett, manager of the C.O. Bar cattle outfit for Babbitt Brothers, ran into a wire fence with his automobile Wednesday night and cut his mouth open nearly to his ear. He had gone to Cataract in his auto the day before and had passed through a line of posts that had been put up for a fence about 25 miles northwest of Cedar ranch. Coming back it was down grade, and thinking that no fence had been put up in meantime, he ran up within a few feet of it before he saw the stretch of wire which was obscured by the sun. He did the best he could to stop the auto, but at about ten miles an hour, breaking the wind shield, the wire caught him at the corner of his mouth and cut it open across his cheek. He managed to get to Cedar ranch, where he secured help and was brought to the Milton hospital for treatment. Some of his teeth were badly loosened, but he sustained no other injuries except the vicious cut.

His little son went to the hospital to see him the next morning and after a careful observation of his father, remarked: "Dad, you look as though you had been to Dinty Moore's last night."

MAY COMPLETE OAK CREEK CUT-OFF THIS YEAR

Supervisor Charles Woolfolk has arranged a conference with Federal Agent Wheeler at Albuquerque to take up the matter of aid for the Oak Creek cut-off road, which he believes will be continued from the four mile stretch being put in under contract by the Miller Construction Co. It is expected that work will soon be commenced again by the Miller company this spring and it is thought that with federal aid, there will be sufficient funds with which to complete the new road into Oak Creek. A number of other projects which had the first call on the government funds, have fallen down and Supervisor Woolfolk will make an effort to secure from this source the additional funds necessary. The forest service is anxious that the work be done this year and it is believed that the Miller Construction company will be in a position to handle the work when they have finished their original contract for four miles of the cut-off.

"RIMMY" BUSTS INTO SOCIETY

Latest reports are that "Rimmy Jim" Giddings has given up the idea of establishing an Indian newspaper at the Little Colorado bridge and is massaging his features with bear grease with the intentions of breaking into society. He most delightfully entertained a bevy of young ladies and their friends at the bridge last week and intends putting on a real party in the near future, which will make big smoke all over the Painted Desert.

"Rimmy" says there is fun anywhere around out in that section, all the people have to do is to come out and use it.

STONE CRUSHER ON JOB

The city stone crusher began work on Monday. It is believed that it will be kept busy nearly all summer furnishing stone for the Old Trails paving contractor.

Now is the time for neighborhoods to get together and volunteer the money for grading and crushed-rock surfacing. If our citizens show the same energy in that direction this summer as they did last they undoubtedly will get results. Last summer they were stopped by the exorbitant cost of bitulphic paving. The cost of grading and crushed-rock surfacing would now be very much less, perhaps not more than half as much.

The Misses Alice R. Snyder, Rosemary Reinhold, Mrs. Rose Anderson, Will O'Brien and Earl Wright motored to Meteor mountain on Sunday, lunching at the Les Hart cattle ranch at the top of the mountain. They returned via Hibbard and the Cliffs.

WE HAVE OTHER STREETS

The news that it is planned to sell the crushed rock turned out by our rock crusher this summer to the Old Trails contractor is not pleasing to many of our citizens. They ask whether the town fathers bought the crusher in order to set up a retail business in crushed stone, or whether it was bought to furnish material badly needed to hard-surface some of our streets. They also wonder if the paving contractor could not get along with his own rock crusher, or if he can't afford one, with the output of the big Babbitt crusher.

Are we going to forget entirely, for a whole year, that we have a few other streets in town? The Old Trails is important; but that is being taken care of. We bought the rock crusher to take care of the streets; let's do it.

MRS. HERRINGTON'S DEATH GREAT SHOCK

The death on Friday of Mrs. George T. Herrington was a great shock to the community.

Mary Rebecca Merritt was born May 25, 1886, in Kansas City, Mo. She thus was 34 years old at the time of her death. Her family moved to Flagstaff in 1900. She was graduated from the Northern Arizona Normal school in 1903 with the highest honors of her class. On July 6th, that same year, she was married to George T. Herrington, manager of the Flagstaff Electric Light Co.

Mrs. Herrington was a woman of high character and high ideals. Devoted to her home and family, she also, until within the last year or so, when her health prevented—took a great interest in public affairs relating to home and educational improvements. She had been a president of the Alumni association of the Normal school, a member of the advisory board of the Flagstaff Woman's club and for two years a member of the library board of that club.

She owed her wide popularity to her charm of manner, her natural kindness toward all people and to her practical common-sense attitude toward life and her consistent endeavors to make it better worth the living.

Besides the husband, there are two daughters, Miss Mary Elizabeth, aged 15, and Miss Helen Kathleen, aged 8; the mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Merritt, matron of Bury hall; a sister, Mrs. A. Johnston; an uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Merritt, and another aunt, Miss E. M. Merritt, all of Flagstaff.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock at the Episcopal church, Rev. Luther Moore reading the service. The quartette choir sang the hymns of the service and Cornelius Buckley sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," which had been one of Mrs. Herrington's favorite songs. Interment was in the Masonic cemetery. The pall bearers were: V. M. Slipper, T. A. Stahl, Francis D. Crabbe, Joseph P. Wilson, Joseph D. Tisaw, B. A. Cameron.

Mrs. Herrington's death was caused by diabetes, this disease being brought on by an attack of flu winter before last.

GETS \$20,000 FOR FLAGSTAFF ARMORY

Capt. E. M. Robison, in Phoenix the first of this week to attend a meeting of the general staff of the national guard, of which he is a member, expected to be home Tuesday night, but the strike interfered with his traveling arrangements.

But the strike did not prevent the captain getting what he went after, namely \$20,000 from the state funds to pay part of the cost of building the new Flagstaff field artillery battery.

POSTMASTER HEISSER ON THE JOB

Postmaster Heisser concluded that the patrons of his office should be served as far as it was possible strike or no strike and on Wednesday morning when he heard that mail was tied up at Winslow, picked out his special chauffeur, Clerk Phelan, and Chasseur Gainsburg, and went to Winslow by auto after the mail. He was armed with the proper credentials including a 30-30 to bring the mail to its proper destination. If all postmasters along the line did the same thing regardless of the railroad tie-up. Postmaster Heisser desires the credit for this given to Postmaster Burleson, but we are rather inclined to believe that if Burleson ever finds it out he will cut the pay of all hands.

PARKS RANCHERS MEET

The ranchers between here and Williams got together on Sunday at C. D. Sanderson's Government Prairie ranch, had a fine dinner, to which each of them contributed good things to eat; then met formally and formed a school district and also organized a branch of the Coconino Farm bureau. Fred Garing, chairman of the county supervisors, Mrs. Charlotte Acker, county superintendent of schools; Francis A. Chisholm, county farm agent, and Mr. Fribby, the rodent man, were at the meeting. Mrs. Acker will appoint trustees for the new school district. The farm bureau branch elected Mr. Sanderson president, and Mike O'Brien, secretary.

Boosters' Club Against High School In Park

Sentiment against the use of the city park as a site for the new high school crystallized into definite action during the last few days. On Monday the city council, on motion of Ray Babbitt, voted unanimously not to either give or sell any part of the city park as a high school site, holding that the park is too small as it is.

On Thursday the Boosters' club unanimously endorsed the above described action of the city council. The club also unanimously voted to request the city school board not to print the city park location on the ballots to be used in the election for a site on Saturday, April 24, the same date on which will be held the other election to settle the question of bonding to the extent of \$50,000 for improvements in the Emerson school building.

Frank Harrison, at the Boosters' meeting, said that the voters should have a choice of two or more locations, one of which should be on the John Clark property north of town, which can be condemned if selected by the voters. He said that the city park site having been withdrawn by the city council, should not be placed on the ballot simply because even if the people did select that site it cannot be condemned as it is already public property used for public purposes.

In discussing the so-called Hennessy-Perkins site, Mr. Harrison said he could see no reason why the voters should have to buy high priced downtown land for a baseball ground. He believed one of the two blocks would be enough and that the students could do their baseball playing in the city park. He called attention to the fact that it would cost the public nearly \$35,000 for the two blocks, while the south one of the two would cost less than \$15,000.

L. C. Riley, who presided, spoke in endorsement of Mr. Harrison's views. The following resolutions proposed by Del Strong were unanimously passed:

(1) That the action of the city council in removing the city park from the list of contenders for the high school site be endorsed.

(2) That the Boosters' club request the school board, now that the city park site is no longer available, to keep it off the ballot.

(3) That the school board be requested to name on the ballot: (a) a site in the north part of town; (b) blocks 2-E and 3-E to be considered together as one site; (c) block 2-E to be considered by itself as a site.

This would give the people choice between three different sites. The north site, on the John Clark estate, if chosen by the voters, can be condemned. This is the handsomest location and the one that eventually will be nearest the center of population, as the town can grow only in that direction.

Block 2-E, owned by Fred W. Perkins and John Hennessy, lies between Birch and Aspen, Park and Bonito. The only dwelling on it belongs to Mr. Hennessy. The block can be had for about \$13,000. Block 3-E, between Birch and Cherry, Park and Bonito, contains three dwellings—C. J. Babbitt's said to be valued at about \$10,000; Lou Charlebois', for which, it is said, Lou wants about \$6,500, and Jas. Lamport's, valued at about \$3,000. This would make the block cost about \$20,000, so if both blocks are chosen for the site, the cost will be about \$33,000, as against about \$13,000 if only block 2-E is chosen.

Whether the school board will comply with the wishes of the Boosters' club is uncertain. They meet today to devise the ballot to be used in the election for the site. It is likely they will hold that the people should have a chance to vote on the city park as one of the sites despite the action of the city council and the Boosters' club. And they may not put block 2-E on the ballot as an individual site, as requested by the club.

Superintendent Walter Runke has resigned from the Indian service and will be relieved from duty about the 20th of the month by Supt. Burris, of California, who is expected in Flagstaff today or tomorrow.

Superintendent Runke has many warm friends in this section of the country who will regret to learn that he has severed his connection with the Indian service, but it is understood that he has a number of things in view and contemplates locating in Flagstaff.

Mr. Runke has been in the Indian service for the past nineteen years and is a native of Wisconsin. Speaking of his resignation, he says that a transfer in the nature of promotion with increased salary was offered him, but he did not care to leave Arizona with his family.

During his six years' work on the reservation at Tuba City, he has made many substantial improvements at Tuba and much progress in the work of educating the Indian. All the red standstone buildings at Tuba were built under his supervision and at present there are over three times as many Indian children attending school than there were when he took charge. A new boarding school at Kayenta was opened under his direction and is in a growing condition. All the forage used is now being raised at Tuba instead of being purchased as was done in previous years. It was through his efforts that blooded Hereford cattle and improved grades of sheep were introduced among the Indians to take the place of old inbred stock. A new coal mine which is now producing over 650 tons of coal per annum is in operation.

The Indians have been educated to have a respect for law and order, and have the highest respect for Mr. Runke, so much so that many of the Indians who heard of his leaving, requested white settlers to send a petition to Washington, asking that his salary be raised so he would stay with them.

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A YEAR FULL OF "WEEKS"

This is "Cheap Meat Week" when each citizen, patriotic or otherwise should eat cheap meat no matter what it costs.

This should also be "old shirt week"—not necessarily dirty, but old.

To this week could also be added "Shiny coat week," also "bull's eye part week."

Next week should be "Old Shoe Week" without squeak. It has been "Ragged Underwear Week" for a couple of years, though this has not been public, it may come out soon if we keep steadfast with the "Bull's Eye Pant Week."

A "Powder Puffless Week" is looming in the offing, but the ladies will not be required to do further "Offing" than is at present demanded by style regulations.

This promises to be a great year of "Weeks"—and, Weeks.

LEGION CARNIVAL BEGINS TUESDAY

Some places they call it a madrigal, other places a fiesta, and in still other places they call it other things.

But here in Flagstaff they will call it a carnival. It begins on Tuesday, under the management of the American Legion.

The local Legion boys are all busy. They are loaded up with details of preparation and will have their hands full all during the week of the carnival, selling and taking tickets and supervising things generally.

The Legion has made a contract with the well-known Scott Combined Shows to bring all of their various tented features here. The Legion will get 20 per cent of the receipts from the shows, 15 per cent from all the riding devices, such as the merry-go-round, the ferris wheel, etc., 50 per cent of the money paid for privileges by the different stands following the shows, and all of the proceeds from the "country store."

This "country store" will be a real store. Members of the Legion will run it. It will sell real merchandise, mostly foodstuffs in big assortments and it is said that every person who gets a basket of groceries will get it at a very small fraction of the regular retail price.

The Legion boys guarantee that all of the shows will be clean, that there will be no gambling, nor anything else offensive. The management of the Scott shows is well-known and reputable and ladies and children need not have the slightest hesitancy in taking in the carnival at any time during the five days. It will be located south of the tracks, on land rented from the Santa Fe by the Legion, will open Tuesday and close on the night of the 24th.

It is planned to have a parade on the opening night of the fête in which many local features will figure, and other features will be drawn from the circus, so everybody should be on the lookout for familiar faces in the mile long glittering pageant. It is the aim of the Legion members to make their five-day festival the most unique and interesting out-door fête Flagstaff has had in years and the co-operation of the citizens is earnestly desired.

SWITCHMEN'S STRIKE STOPS MANY TRAINS

The big railroad strike was on in full force Tuesday. Switchmen went out all along the main line, which left regular trainmen without trains to handle.

At Winslow, to further hinder matters, inexperienced help put two engines off the track and landed a carload of stock crosswise of the track so that even mail trains could not get by.

Flagstaff is rather fortunately situated so far as actual necessities are concerned and it will take some time before the strikers can make itself acutely felt here.

CITY COUNCIL WILL BUILD SIDEWALKS

It was decided by the city council Monday night to build sidewalks on South San Francisco street, after K. J. Nackard had given them a talk on the subject, backed up by a petition signed by practically all of those owning property on that street.

Street Commissioner Frank Richmond and C. W. Heiser presented new sidewalk specifications for consideration by the council, as did also S. F. Quay. The two sets were very similar. They were referred to the street and alley committee and will be acted upon at the next meeting.

Clerk Clarence Pulliam reported on those sidewalks that had been ordered in but not built; and Mr. Heiser was delegated to confer with City Attorney Crabbe and then, if found possible to go ahead under the improvement act, to do so at once, contracting with E. B. Raudebaugh to build the walks.

Street Commissioner Frank Richmond's salary was changed from \$4.50 a day to \$175 a month.

The ordinance that made the violation of business license regulations punishable by a fine not to exceed \$10 was amended to make the fines not less than \$10 nor more than \$100.

The First National bank was notified that the sidewalk trap door on San Francisco street must be repaired.

TORREZ WILL HANG TODAY

PHOENIX—With the date for the execution of Simplicio Torres set for Friday, a large number of persons have made application to be permitted to witness the hanging, which will be the first in Arizona since the establishment of capital punishment.

The coming execution has aroused great morbid curiosity, especially among capitol employees and not a few women clerks have expressed themselves as being very desirous of witnessing the event. These are said to be pulling every wire possible through official channels to secure an invitation to be present at the execution. Attorney General Wiley E. Jones, announced that he personally would not witness the execution, although under the law it would be fitting to name some representative of his office to do so.

In view of the large number of applications which have been filed, it is probable that there will be considerable disappointment for under the law only 12 persons from civil life are permitted to be on hand, and none of these shall be minors.

Just who may witness the hanging is set forth in the penal code as follows:

"A judgment of death must be executed within the walls of the state prison. The superintendent of the state prison where the execution is to take place must be present at the execution and must invite the presence of a physician, the attorney general of the state and at least 12 reputable citizens to be selected by him, and he shall at the request of the defendant permit such clergymen not exceeding two as the defendant may name and any relatives or friends not to exceed five to be present at the execution, together with such peace officers as he may think expedient to witness the execution. But no other persons than those mentioned can be present at the execution, nor can any person under age be allowed to witness the same."

While many persons are laying their plans to witness the execution of the condemned man, his friends have not given up hope of securing a stay of execution to permit of an examination for sanity. Dr. Hunter, chaplain at the prison, has taken a deep interest in the youthful inmate of the death cell, and is foremost among those who declare that he must be insane.

Governor Campbell paid a visit to the prison yesterday, presumably for the purpose of investigating personally the insanity reports which have come to his office.

Assistant County Attorney George Harben, who is in Phoenix and expecting to witness the execution of Torres today, phoned Wednesday afternoon, that two attorneys of Phoenix had attempted to secure a writ of mandamus before the supreme court. This was denied as was a writ of habeas corpus, then an appeal from the supreme court. The court advised the attorneys, so Harben says, that their attempts to delay the execution were frivolous.

Failing to secure action from the supreme court the attorneys secured a writ before Judge Sawtelle, federal judge. On what grounds action could be secured in the federal court for a criminal case, was not stated.

It was claimed by the two attorneys that no writ could be secured from Judge Baughn at Florence, because he was ill. A telephone message from Judge Baughn said that he had not been sick and had been holding court as usual.

County Attorney Frank M. Gold received a wire from Assistant County Attorney Harben last night saying that U. S. Federal Judge Sawtelle refused a writ of habeas corpus in the Torres case, and that he, Harben, was leaving for Florence, all doubts at rest, to see Torres' last day of life. It is settled; this is Torres' last day of life.

MARTIN TO PAY DEATH PENALTY, COURT DECREE

PRESCOTT.—Death sentence was passed in the superior court on Michael Martin, convicted by a jury on March 29, on a charge of having murdered Arthur De Steunder, overseas veteran of the Canadian army, whose partly burned body was found on the desert near Yampai, Ariz., last October. Martin was sentenced to be hanged June 25, next. It was the first death sentence to be imposed in this county since the capital punishment clause was restored to the state statutes.

Kenneth Hughes, the three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hughes, of Globe, was accidentally shot and killed last week, by a playmate.

Governor Campbell has been subpoenaed as a witness in the Wootton case at Tombstone. Wootton is being tried for alleged deportation of wobblers in 1917 from Bisbee.

Harry Hurley was found guilty by a jury in Phoenix of having taken 1200 sacks of cement from a car belonging to the state highway department and putting it in a warehouse he had leased.

Following a robbery in his residence, Joseph Beck, a Nogales merchant, purchased an expensive revolver to protect his property. The following night the robbers came and swiped the expensive pistol, just to show their contempt.